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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for Forsyth County School District's Spark! Igniting Learning, Birth and Beyond program in fiscal year 2022. The project sponsor is the Forsyth County School District located at 1120 Dahlonega Highway Cumming, GA 30040.

Funding for Spark! will be used to offer Shuttle transportation, English language acquisition, early learning and development skills, academic support, computer skills, a place with reliable connectivity, and technology devices. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits:

- 1. Improving access to resources for students in Forsyth who face many challenges such as poverty, transportation issues as there is no public transportation in the county, language barriers, immigration, transiency and homelessness, access to technology and connectivity, and mental, emotional, and social health issues.
- 2. Increasing the academic potential of students in Forsyth County so they can have more opportunities to give back to their community and participate in the economy.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Bourdeaux Member of Congress

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